

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA, HELD ITS REGULAR MEETING ON TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2007 IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF THE CITY-COUNTY BUILDING.

PRESENT: Anthony B. Toran, President, Chas Hunter, Matt Denison, Chief Merl Harl, Traffic Division Supervisor Officer Joe Lewis, Fire Chief Ron Toran, Deputy Fire Chief Stanley Mason, Street Dept Director Chuck Simons, City Clerk Marcey Wisman, Flood Control Director Ron Granger, Drainage Dept. Director Tom Cannon, Building Commissioner Ron Hartman, Controller Kay Garry

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Toran called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

NEW BUSINESS:

Item #1 – Cindy Stumler, Strawberry Festival re: banner permit for the week before May 19

Ms. Stumler addressed the board about the Strawberry Fest banner that they would like to have hung over Main St. the week of May 19, 2007

Mr. Hunter moved to approve, Mr. Denison second, all voted in favor.

Item #2 - Dave Holker re: solicitors permit for residential alarm systems

Mr. Holker, APX Alarm, requested a solicitor's permit to go door to door to sell service agreements with an alarm system.

Mr. Toran asked if they have a local office and if he had any information on the company

Mr. Holker stated that they are a national company with head quarters in Utah but they do have an office in Louisville

Mr. Denison stated that they would need to get together some information for the board.

Ms. Wisman said she was told by an individual that looked them up on the Better Business Bureau and they had 35 bad reports on their record.

Mr. Hunter moved to table until the next meeting.

Item #3 - Jenna McCarty re: street closing at corner of Lafayette and Lexington for wedding on June 2 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Ms. McCarty requested that they be allowed to block off 1201 Lafayette through 1207 Lafayette for a wedding.

Mr. Denison moved to approve, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

COMMUNICATIONS - CITY OFFICIALS:

Ms. Garry presented claims for the 4/20 through 5/17 for the total amount of \$3,431,512.74. She gave the following break down:

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Payroll/Pension	\$1,569,726.42
Insurance	\$382,391.00
Garbage Truck – new	\$98,900 .00(out of Riverboat)
Daisy Lane Improvements	\$129,074.00
Redevelopment Claims	\$227,678.00
Stormwater Claims	\$365,666.53
Sanitation Claims	\$100,367.87
Sewer Claims	\$355,428.32

Mr. Denison moved to approve, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.

Mrs. Garry also requested that the department heads help to expedite payroll. Ms. Dana Clark had to leave early for maternity leave and she had not quite finished training her replacement.

Officer Joe Lewis asked if June 2nd was open for the Redman for Crusade for Children and said that they are having a police auction on Saturday.

Deputy Chief Mason requested to promote Terry Farnsley to active sergeant engine 4 on the A crew.

Mr. Hunter moved to approve, Mr. Denison second, all voted in favor.

Ms. Wisman stated that she has some concerns about the aesthetics of downtown New Albany particularly the lighting and the condition that they are in. She explained that they are leaning, broken, dirty and even hazardous and the maintenance contract has expired and she is asking the board to contact Duke Energy to get involved in this matter.

Mr. Hunter suggested a letter to Duke Energy to inquire about help and previous attempts to get assistance from them and they would go from there

Ms. Wisman stated that on October 16th and 17th DNA will be hosting a cleanup in downtown New Albany and asked that the street department spray the weeds in the area. She also requested a street closing from Holiday Homecoming on November 24. She asked that they be permitted to close Market Street from State to Bank and Pearl Street from Spring to Main.

Mr. Denison moved to close Market and Pearl on November 24, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.

Chief Toran reported that on Saturday at the Clean Up New Albany they stacked a large pile of tires on Union Street that needs to be picked up.

COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:

Ms. Wellins thanked Mr. Simons for helping her with questions that she had about the pick up of yard waste.

BIDS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Denison moved to approve the May 1, 2007 minutes, Mr. Hunter second, all voted in favor.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Anthony B. Toran, President
Board of Public Works & Safety**

**Marcey Wisman, City Clerk
Civil City of New Albany, Indiana**